

REMARKS

With this Preliminary Amendment, Applicants have cancelled claim 1, and have added newly presented claims 22-51. This Preliminary Amendment supplements the preliminary amendment filed on November 3, 2003.

Examination of the claims in due course is respectfully requested. Applicants respectfully submit that all pending claims are in condition for allowance; issuance of a Notice of Allowance in due course is requested. If a telephone conference might be of assistance, please contact the undersigned attorney at (612) 677-9050.

Respectfully submitted,

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